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20	v.	)
21	UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF	)
22	AGRICULTURE, ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE,	)
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24	Defendant.	)
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## **JOINT STATUS REPORT**

Pursuant to the Court's Order, ECF No. 58, the parties file this joint status report notifying the Court of the status of ongoing settlement discussions. Since the date of the parties' last joint status report, ECF No. 57, the parties' settlement discussions have been fruitful and they continue to believe that there may be a possible basis for settlement of the case. A further stay of litigation will allow the parties time to continue their discussions. Therefore, the parties propose filing a joint status report on May 9, 2016, notifying the Court of the status of settlement discussions and the need for submission of a proposed litigation schedule.

Respectfully submitted on this 8th day of March, 2016.

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